BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH KERN WATER STORAGE DISTRICT ON BEHALF OF ITSELF AND ROSEDALE RANCH IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION NO. 14-69

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION OF NORTH KERN
WATER STORAGE DISTRICT TO FILE AN
APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
WATER RESOURCES FOR GRANT UNDER THE 2014
IRRIGATION REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT
DROUGHT RELIEF FUNDING

WHEREAS, the North Kern Water Storage District (District) partnered with several neighboring water districts in January 2006 and formulated the Poso Creek Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (Plan) for their collective area, which was originally adopted in July 2007 by each of the districts and updated in 2014, which included, Cawelo Water District, Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District, Kern-Tulare Water District, North Kern Water Storage District, Semitropic Water Storage District, and Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District; and

WHEREAS, the Plan identified regional projects that, once implemented, would improve the water management of the Region and the ability to regulate water supplies available to the Plan Area; and

WHEREAS, the Plan established a process that identified projects that, once implemented, would improve the reliability and water quality of Disadvantaged Communities within the Region; and

WHEREAS, District staff, in conjunction with the surrounding water districts, communities, and stakeholders, has formulated a plan of improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Plan promotes regional recharge, reduction of overdraft, and operational changes in responding to reductions in water supply reliability to the Region; and

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Water Resources is currently soliciting proposals for grant funding assistance under their 2014 IRWM Drought Grant Solicitation under the Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant Progam funded by Proposition 84; and

WHEREAS, District staff is preparing a grant application under DWR's Proposition 84 Implementation Grant program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the North Kern Water Storage District as follows:

- The District's Board of Directors has reviewed and supports the submission of a grant application to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a 2014 IRWM Drought Grant pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 [Public Resource Code Section 75001 et seq]; and
- 2. The District is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the Poso Creek IRWM 2014 Drought Proposal; and
- 3. The District's General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, file such application, and execute a grant agreement with the California Department of Water Resources; and
- 4. The Applicant is capable of providing the amount of funding and in-kind contributions specified in the application; and
- 5. The Applicant will work with the California Department of Water Resources to meet established deadlines for entering into a contract agreement.

ALL THE FOREGOING, being on motion of Director <u>Waterhouse</u>, and seconded by Director <u>Glende</u>, was authorized by the following vote:

AYES: Andrew, Glende, Waterhouse, Mendes, Fornoff

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

I, Richard Diamond, Secretary of the Board of Directors of North Kern Water Storage District, do hereby certify that the foregoing is the Resolution of said District as duly passed and adopted by said Board of Directors on the 17th day of June 2014. In witness my hand and seal of said Board of Directors this 17th day of June 2014.

(Seal)

Secretary of the Board of Directors North Kern Water Storage District